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PRELIMINARY ARRANGEMENTS
UNDER WAY FOR CAMELLIA
BOWL GAME DEC. 12

MISSOULA--

Preliminary arrangements are being completed for the 10th annual Camellia Bowl Football Game Dec. 10 between the University of Montana Grizzlies and the North Dakota State University Bison.

The two schools will be competing for the second consecutive year in the Sacramento, Calif. contest, which is sanctioned by the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

Last year the Bison defeated the Grizzlies 30-3 for the NCAA West Region Division Football Championship. NDSU finished the 1969 season in the No. 1 spot in small-college ratings and the Grizzlies were ranked No. 2 nationally. At the end of regular-season play this year, the Grizzlies were ranked No. 2 and the Bison No. 3 respectively, by the Associated Press, and No. 3 and No. 4, respectively, by United Press International.

Several planes are being chartered in Montana by a number of organizations to take Grizzly fans from the Big Sky Country of Montana to the California bowl game. More information on the chartering services will be released at a later date.

Between 1,000 and 2,500 high school bandmen from schools in Sacramento and vicinity will participate in the pre-game and half-time Camellia Bowl activities on Dec. 12.

Although the UM Marching Band participated in the Camellia Bowl pageantry last year, the band is not scheduled to make the trip to California this year.

Butler R. Eitel, a UM music professor and band director, said: "Although the band wants to support the Grizzlies and help bring back the victory, plans already had been made by the Camellia Bowl Committee--even before selection of the University of Montana as a participant--to stage high school band participation during half time of the Dec. 12 contest."

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Eitel also said Dec. 11 is the beginning of finals week at Montana,

"which could impose an unfortunate academic hardship on the 70 or so UM band members."

The 1970 Camellia Bowl pre-game and half-time shows will follow a morning band competition in Sacramento. A minimum of 10 bands will compete before three judges and a large viewing audience for several cash prizes.

Theme of the pre-game and half-time shows will be "America the Beautiful."

A Camellia Bowl Committee is being formed in Missoula under the leadership of Col. Tom Davis, UM alumnus and immediate past president of the UM Century Club.

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